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SUBJECT:ECOSOC MEETING (60TH SESSION). AGENDA ITEM SIX
ON HOUSING BUILDING AND PLANNING

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1. CONFIRMING REF MISFAX, U.S. DELEGATION MAY WISH MAKE
FOLLOWING STATEMENTS IN CONNECTION VOTING ON THREE
RESOLUTIONS SENT ECOSOC BY COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, BUILDING
AND PLANNING (CHBP).

2. ON RESOLUTION NO. 1 WHICH RECOMMENDS HIGH PRIORITY
BE GIVEN TO IMPLEMENTATION OF WORK PROGRAM ON HUMAN
SETTLEMENTS REGARDLESS OF WHATEVER ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES
MAY BE MADE IN FUTURE:

DELEGATION SHOULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE RESOLUTION AND
MAY NOTE THE CONTINUING INTEREST OF THE US IN CONTENT
OF THE WORK OF EXISTING UN INSTITUTIONS DEALING WITH
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HUMAN SETTLEMENTS PENDING THE OUTCOME OF HABITAT.

3. ON RESOLUTION NO. 2 WHICH RECOMMENDS ATTENTION BE GIVEN TO COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION AND STRENGTHENING OR ESTABLISHING OF REGIONAL CENTERS TO

THAT END, AND IN PARTICULAR TO WORK WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL DOCUMENTATION CENTER ON HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT FOR THE COUNTRIES OF ECE.

DELEGATION SHOULD ABSTAIN AND STATE THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF SUCH SPECIFIC PROJECTS AND INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AS DESCRIBED SHOULD AWAIT THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF NEXT MONTH'S HABITAT CONFERENCE AND THE APPROVAL THEREOF BY THE UNGA.

4. ON RESOLUTION NO. 3 FOR ADOPTION BY ECOSOC WHICH AFFIRMS THE EXISTING AND DISTINCTIVE ROLE OF THE CENTRE FOR HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING, EXPRESSES THE DESIRE FOR INCREASED RESOURCES FOR IMPROVEMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, AND DECIDES TO GIVE CAREFUL ATTENTION TO THE HISTORIC ROLE AND MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE FOR HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING, AND OF THE CENTRE FOR HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING WHEN CONSIDERING FURTHER ITS RESOLUTION 1914 (LVII).

DELEGATION SHOULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE RESOLUTION BUT IN SO DOING MAY WISH TO STATE THAT THE US DOES NOT WISH TO TAKE A POSITION WITH RESPECT TO FUTURE INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS UNTIL THE MEETING OF HABITAT. THE US CONTINUES TO HAVE GREAT INTEREST IN THE CONTENT OF THE PRESENT WORK OF EXISTING BODIES IN THE UN WHICH DEAL WITH HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING.
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